# **ALABAMA**

# Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence

# **Alabama Coalition Against Rape, Inc.**

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### **Coalition Type**

Domestic violence

### **Year Formed**

1978

### **Year Incorporated**

1984

### **Staff**

7.25 full-time-equivalent staff members

### Fiscal Year

October 1994 - September 1995

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### **Coalition Type**

Sexual assault

### **Year Formed**

1994

### **Year Incorporated**

1995

### **Staff**

No full-time staff members

### **Fiscal Year**

December 1994 - September 1995

## Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence

### **Member Programs and Services**

All 17 domestic violence programs currently in operation in the state of Alabama are members of the Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Two are dual programs, the remaining 15 programs offer services for domestic violence only. All of the programs currently operate on-site shelter facilities and provide community education and training for professionals. All but 1 of the 17 member programs operate independently run domestic violence hotlines and provide support groups for women. Exhibits 1 and 2 detail the services offered by the members of the Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

| Exhibit 1. Number of coalition member programs (N=17) offering various domestic violence services |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Number of<br>programs   | Service  |  |
| 16  | Independently run domestic violence hotline                                |  |
| 17  | On-site shelter for abused women and their children                        |  |
| 16  | Support group for women  |  |
| 12  | Legal advocacy program   |  |
| 4   | Medical advocacy program   |  |
| 12  | Specific support program for sheltered children                            |  |
| 6   | Services for non-sheltered children  |  |
| 10  | Education programs in elementary schools or high schools                   |  |
| 1   | Education programs in colleges or universities                             |  |
| 17  | Community education/speakers bureau  |  |
| 17  | Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers) |  |
| 5   | Transitional/second stage housing  |  |
| 4   | Treatment/rehabilitation program for batterers                             |  |
| 1   | Other services (child sexual abuse treatment program)                      |  |

As shown in exhibit 2, sexual assault services were offered by two coalition member programs.

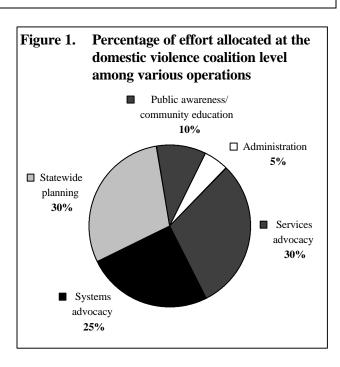
| Exhibit 2. | Number of coalition member programs (N=2) |  |
|------------|---|--|
|            | offering various sexual assault services  |  |

| Number of |   |  |
|-----------|---|--|
| programs  | <u>Service</u>  |  |
| 2         | Independently run sexual assault hotline  |  |
| 2         | One-on-one counseling   |  |
| 2         | Support group for adult women   |  |
| 1         | Support group for teenage girls   |  |
| 2         | Support group for male victims  |  |
| 2         | Support group for adult survivors of child sexual abuse                             |  |
| 1         | Secondary support group for spouses/partners of victims                             |  |
| 1         | Secondary support group for parents of victims                                      |  |
| 2         | Adult accompaniment and advocacy services   |  |
| 2         | Child accompaniment and advocacy services   |  |
| 1         | Legal advocacy program  |  |
| 2         | Medical advocacy program  |  |
| 2         | Prevention/risk reduction programs in preschool, elementary, middle, or high school |  |
| 1         | Education programs in colleges or universities                                      |  |
| 2         | Community education/speakers bureau   |  |
| 2         | Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers)          |  |
| 1         | Technical assistance  |  |
| 2         | Treatment/rehabilitation for sexual offenders                                       |  |
| 0         | Other services  |  |

# **Domestic Violence Coalition Operations**

Thirty percent of the coalition's effort was dedicated to services advocacy, and another 30 percent was spent on statewide planning. The remaining effort was devoted to systems advocacy, public awareness/community education, and administration in descending order. Figure 1 reflects the percentage of effort spent on each type of domestic violence operations by the Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

# **Special Projects of the Domestic Violence Coalition**



Four special projects were undertaken by the Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence between October 1994 and September 1995.

#### Medical Training for Doctors, Registered Nurses, and Hospital Staff

Description: No description givenPurpose: Systems advocacyFunding source: Pro bono/volunteer

#### **Training for Judges**

Description: No description givenPurpose: Systems advocacyFunding source: Federal funding

### **Training for Clergy**

Description: No description givenPurpose: Systems advocacyFunding Source: Pro bono/volunteer

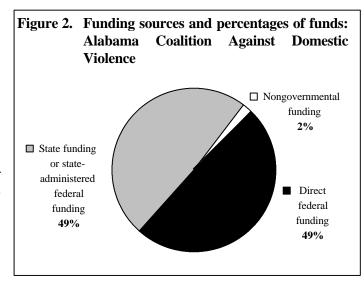
#### **Public Health Department Worker Training**

Description: This project provides training for child welfare agencies.

Purpose: Statewide planning Funding Source: Federal funding

### **Domestic Violence Coalition Funding**

Funding reported by the Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence was reported at more than \$425,000. This falls into the fourth quartile of funding when compared to other states. In fiscal year 1994-95, the coalition received 49 percent each from federal and state funding and 2 percent from nongovernmental funding sources. specifically the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) and interest income. The majority of the funds, 79 percent, was passed to member programs and/or other agencies for direct services during 1994-95; 19 percent was retained by the coalition for in-house expenses, and 2 percent was retained by the coalition for expenditures in future fiscal Figure 2 depicts the sources of funding reported by the Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence.



### **Federal and State Funding**

In fiscal year 1994-95, the coalition received federal funding through their state coalition grant and other types of discretionary grants under the Family Violence and Services Act (FVPSA). Other sources of federal funds included Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

The coalition received state funds through appropriated funding or general state funding. Other sources of state funding or state-administered federal funds included the Alabama Department of Economic and Consumers Affairs (ADECA) and the State Justice Institute Grant. Exhibit 3 displays the sources of nongovernmental funding received for domestic violence services.

| Exhibit 3. Sources of government funding reported by the Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence  |   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| State funding or state-administer  Direct federal funding federal funding   |   |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Family Violence Prevention and<br/>Services Act (FVPSA) state coalition<br/>grant and other discretionary grants</li> <li>VISTA</li> <li>USDA</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Appropriated funds or general state<br/>funds</li> <li>ADECA</li> <li>State Justice Institute Grant</li> </ul> |  |  |

### **Nongovernmental Funding Sources**

During fiscal year 1994-95, the coalition received funding from nongovernmental sources through private donations, local program dues, and other sources of funds such as the Combined Federal Campaign, interest income, and "other" funding (exhibit 4).

| Exhibit 4. Sources of nongovernmental funding* reported by the Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence |                                       |  |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| <u>Source</u>  | Percentage of nongovernmental funding |  |
| Private donations  | 34%                                   |  |
| Local program dues   | 13%                                   |  |
| Other nongovernmental sources  | 53%                                   |  |

<sup>\*</sup>Nongovernmental funding was 2% of total funding

#### **Funds Passed to Local Programs**

There were no federal funds passed through the coalition to local programs. Approximately 37 percent of the total coalition budget was passed to local programs, 36 percent from the state and less than 1 percent from sources other than state or federal funds.

### Alabama Coalition Against Rape, Inc.

The Alabama Coalition Against Rape, Inc. is reported to be in its infancy. During fiscal year 1994-95, the coalition had no staff or funding.

### **Member Programs and Services**

There are nine sexual assault programs in the state of Alabama, all of which are members of the Alabama Coalition Against Rape, Inc. Two of the member programs offer services for both domestic violence and sexual assault, the remaining seven focus solely on sexual assault services. Exhibits 5 and 6 detail the services provided by members of the coalition.

All sexual assault programs offer adult accompaniment and advocacy services, legal and medical advocacy, education programs, training for professionals, and technical assistance. Special populations served by these programs include rural communities, church groups, and sororities.

| Exhibit 5. Number of coalition member programs (N=9) offering various sexual assault services |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Number of<br>programs   | Service  |  |
| 7   | Independently run sexual assault hotline   |  |
| 8   | One-on-one counseling  |  |
| 7   | Support group for adult women  |  |
| 2   |  |  |
| 0   |  |  |
| 4   | Support group for adult survivors of child sexual abuse                              |  |
| 2   | Secondary support groups for spouses/partners of victims                             |  |
| 2   | Secondary support groups for parents of victims                                      |  |
| 9   | Adult accompaniment and advocacy services  |  |
| 5   | Child accompaniment and advocacy services  |  |
| 9   | Legal advocacy program   |  |
| 9   | Medical advocacy program   |  |
| 8 Prevention/risk reduction programs in preschool, elementary, middle, or high school         |  |  |
| 9   | Education programs in colleges or universities                                       |  |
| 9   | Community education/speakers bureau  |  |
| 9   | Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers)           |  |
| 9   | Technical assistance   |  |
| 0   | Treatment/rehabilitation for sexual offenders  |  |
| 5   | Other services (clothing, sex offender program, advocate counseling, beeper service) |  |

Most domestic violence services are offered by the two coalition member programs that serve victims of domestic violence programs.

| Exhibit 6. Number of coalition member programs (N=2) |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| offering various domestic violence services          |  |  |
| Number o   |  |  |
| programs   | <u>Service</u>   |  |
| 2  | Independently run domestic violence hotline                                |  |
| 2  | On-site shelter for abused women and their children                        |  |
| 2  | Support group for women  |  |
| 2  | Legal advocacy program   |  |
| 2  | Medical advocacy program   |  |
| 2  | Specific support program for sheltered children                            |  |
| 2  | Services for non-sheltered children  |  |
| 2  | Education programs in elementary schools or high schools                   |  |
| 2  | Education programs in colleges or universities                             |  |
| 2  | Community education/speakers bureau  |  |
| 2  | Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers) |  |
| 1  | Transitional/second-stage housing  |  |
| 1  | Treatment/rehabilitation program for batterers                             |  |
| 2  | Other services (individual counseling)                                     |  |

### **Alabama State Government Agencies**

Out of the four Alabama state agencies contacted for this inventory, one reported that it allocated funding to the coalition and various local agencies. This agency's funding is discussed below.

Fiscal year: September 1994-October 1995

Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA), Law Enforcement Planning Section

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs distributed \$220,000 during the 1994-95 fiscal year for domestic violence services and prevention. Ninety-five percent of this money (\$209,000) was received from the federal government. The remaining \$11,000 was received from the state government. Funding recipients included the Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence (\$20,000) during fiscal year 1994-95.

This program is in its early stages. Federal funds are anticipated to increase, and will provide additional funding for recipients in future fiscal years.

# Federal and State Funding Reported by Alabama State Government Agencies

Figure 3 represents the percentage of federal and state funding reported by the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs.

| Exhibit 7. Federal and state funding totals reported by Alabama state agencies |           |  |
|--|-----------|--|
| Federal  | \$209,000 |  |
| State  | \$11,000  |  |
| Total  | \$220,000 |  |

Funding amounts reported by the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs were very limited. Researchers were unable to determine the sources of federal and state funding, recipients of this federal and state funding, and monies passed to local programs.

